

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)

The following application has been submitted to change a water right in the State of Montana.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION PROPOSES TO GRANT AN APPLICATION TO CHANGE A WATER RIGHT. DESCRIBED BELOW ARE THE PERTINENT FACTS WHICH SUMMARIZE THE APPLICATION. THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION (PD) DOCUMENTING THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ANY CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THE WATER RIGHT ARE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/>.

OBJECTION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1, 2016. THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT OBJECTIONS FILED ON AN OBJECTION TO APPLICATION, FORM 611. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE \$25.00 FILING FEE TO THE DNRC, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 BY THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, TO OBTAIN THE PD OR OBJECTION FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 2273 BOOT HILL COURT, SUITE 110, BOZEMAN, MT 59715-7249 FAX: 406-587-9726 PHONE: 406-586-3136.

Application Number : 41F 30070510

Applicant : SUN WEST RANCH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSN
3 GILDRED LN
CAMERON, MT 59720 9678

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F 127289-00	MAY 15, 1888
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F 30066080	MAY 15, 1888

PAST USE OF WATER

HISTORICALLY, WATER RIGHT 41F 127289-00 IS A STOCK RIGHT THAT SERVED 354 ANIMAL UNITS FOR A MAXIMUM HISTORIC VOLUME OF 6.02 ACRE-FEET. THE SOURCE OF WATER IS SECOND STANDARD CREEK IN MADISON COUNTY. SINCE THE USE WAS STOCK, THE WATER IS ASSUMED TO HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY CONSUMED. NO FLOW RATE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED FOR THIS WATER RIGHT.

WATER RIGHT 41F 30066080 IS AN IRRIGATION RIGHT FOR 69 ACRES WITH A DIVERTED VOLUME OF 145.5 ACRE- FEET, WHICH WAS CONVEYED TO THE PLACE OF USE VIA LYON DITCH. THE SOURCE OF WATER IS SECOND STANDARD CREEK IN MADISON COUNTY. THE FLOW RATE FOR THIS WATER RIGHT IS 3.5 CFS.

PROPOSED CHANGE

THE PROPOSED CHANGE IS TO LEAVE WATER FROM BOTH WATER RIGHTS 41F 127289-00 AND 41F 30066080 INSTREAM TO BENEFIT THE FISHERY IN SECOND STANDARD CREEK, LOCATED IN MADISON COUNTY. THE WATER WILL NO LONGER BE DIVERTED AT THE HISTORIC POINT OF DIVERSION LOCATED IN THE SENESW OF SECTION 33, T10S, R1E, AND WILL INSTEAD BE ALLOWED TO FLOW INSTREAM UNTIL THE CONFLUENCE OF SECOND STANDARD CREEK WITH THE MADISON RIVER.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THESE TWO WATER RIGHTS ARE BEING SUBMITTED IN THE SAME CHANGE APPLICATION BECAUSE IF THE CHANGE IS AUTHORIZED, THEY WILL HAVE THE SAME PURPOSE, PLACE OF USE, AND POINT OF DIVERSION.

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